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—Burt Null is out after a severe illness.

—Wm. Myers of the N. I. N. S. is quite ill.

—Dixon Camp No. 56, M. W. A., meets tonight.

—Robert Anderson went this afternoon to Ohio, Illinois.

—Thomas Nelson is in on business from the east end of the county.

—Miss Myrtle Strahl has returned to Polo after a visit with Dixon relatives.

—Nicholas Heinze and William H. Haines of Ohio, Illinois, are at the Keystone.

—T. S. Allen is here from Chicago setting up farm machinery for the Trader store.

—Mrs. Katherine Essler of St. Peters, Minnesota, is visiting her brother, Joseph Shelhamer.

—Benjamin Barnheizer and wife have returned to Polo after a visit at the Ed. Winders home.

—Mrs. Wm. Rock of Hine's Addition is recovering from a severe illness of la grippe and rheumatism.

—W. C. Andrus of Grand Detour and F. E. Stiteley are looking at land in the Green River bottom today.

—A. G. Locke, travelling salesman for the C. M. Henderson Company, is ill at our hospital with la grippe.

—Loveland & Stiteley have sold for Isaiah Brink lot 12 at Riverview Park Addition for \$300 to A. P. Manatt.

—Jenkin Lloyd Jones will lecture on George Eliot at the Presbyterian church tonight. Of course there will be a full house.

—Chas. F. Starks, formerly of Lee Center, died Wednesday at Sioux City, Iowa. He will be brought here tomorrow for burial.

—The refreshment committee of the Royal Neighbors is requested to meet next Saturday evening at the home of Dr. H. E. Garrison.

—Married, Tuesday evening, February 14, at the M. E. parsonage in Amboy, Mrs. Kate Arnold to Mr. W. M. Fowler, both of Amboy.

—John Dachner of Eldena and John Bachman of the Kingdom were in Dixon yesterday replenishing their stock after their recent fires.

—People in both town and country who have been housed up for the past month by the cold are out shopping today and the clerks are all busy.

—Ex-Treasurer C. F. Welty is up from Walton with several wagons to haul back lumber for a new barn on his farm north of the homestead.

—S. W. Whipky, wife and child and D. A. Barron and daughter departed this morning for Waterloo, Iowa, after a two weeks visit with J. P. Rhodes and family.

—The Amboy Journal says that J. P. Johnson has consented to be a candidate for mayor of Amboy and the announcement is received with universal satisfaction.

—Wm. Anderson of this city won the prize for the most comic costume at the masque ball in Sterling Tuesday evening. He did the Weary Willie character to perfection.

—Mrs. D. Knapp, sr., left this morning for Pontiac, where after spending a few days she will return by way of LaSalle and Streator, where she will stop for several days.

—Retail Merchants' association meets tonight at the city council rooms to hear the report of delegates to the recent state convention at Galesburg, Messrs. Keyes and Petersberger.

—Mrs. Maggie Hobbs is delighted by the return to Dixon of her father, Mr. Hess, who has been in Colorado for a score of years. He is a brother of Ephraim P. Hess of Palmyra Road.

—"None so poor to do him reverence." A Populist in the Pennsylvania legislature made a motion to add Bryan's name to that of President McKinley in an invitation to visit Harrisburg in May, but no Democrat would second the motion.

—Postmaster Maloney is not to blame for your valentines. If the ladies do not want to receive such chromos they should work for the right to vote and elect legislators who will enact a law prohibiting obnoxious valentines being sent through the mails.

—The Holden Co. are playing to the capacity of the Opera House this week, and are giving the finest performances ever given in our city by a repertoire company. Every member of the company is good, and the singing and specialties are fine and equal to any given here this season. Knute Knuteson will be presented this evening, and if you like a good Swedish comedy be sure and attend.

Sacred Concert.

A sacred concert which bids fair to outrival anything in artists' concert and solo singing ever listened to by a Dixon audience, will be given in this city by the famous Canadian Concert Company and Imperial Orchestra, on the evening of the last day of February. On their recent tour, under Bishop Disney, through England, Ireland and Wales, they sang several times, by special request, before the royal family and nobility and other crowned heads of Europe, who encored several of the soloists from five to seven times. The selections to be rendered by the ophicleide soloist, a member of the Imperial Orchestra, will not only be excellent, but a curiosity, since this instrument is the only one of its kind in America. This being strictly a sacred concert, it will prove an excellent digression for those in our community who observe the lenten season. The concert will be given in the Methodist church, that being considered the only building in Dixon having adequate seating capacity.

A Cruel Girl.

A student, an Apollo in appearance, had won the hearts of three town girls. One of these girls held this young man in conversation on First street near the corner of Monroe recently. She saw approaching her two rivals. He did not see them. She dared him to kiss her. He quickly "saw her" and went her two better, kissing her three times just as the other two girls drove by in a buggy. It was broad daylight. Housekeepers saw the performance from their windows. The young man saw he was seen by the other two sweethearts. He has but one girl now.

The Fire Alarm.

The grass on the river bank just east of the railroad bridge, was on fire today and communicated the flames to a pile of old lumber near the workshop of Greig & Baum. An alarm signal was quickly answered by firemen Francis Coffey, Charles Cupp, George Detrick, W. W. Vann, George Hanna and Marshal A. J. Graff, and several volunteers. It is supposed that the fire was started by sparks from a passing engine.

Little One Roasted Alive.

The fifteen-months-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hubner, of Clinton, was Tuesday afternoon roasted to death. He had been left in the house with an older brother. The latter, while playing with some lighted paper, set fire to either the child's clothing or the couch upon which it was lying. The fire was discovered in time to save the house from burning. The little fellow who caused the accident was but three years of age.

Married.

At the home of Mr. Redrute, five miles south of Sterling, Elmer F. Myers of Dixon to Miss May McFadden of New York City, Rev. Wise officiating. The bride was gowned in white satin and wore white roses. Miss Rose Glessner played the wedding march. Only nearest friends of the parties were invited. After a short visit at Clinton, Iowa, the newly wedded couple returned to Dixon, which will be their future home.

A Washington Tea.

The Young Ladies' Missionary Society of the Lutheran church will on Tuesday evening give a Washington tea at which time George and Martha Washington will appear in costumes peculiar to the period. This will be the most novel affair given in the city for some time. Every one should make an effort to be present to see and taste. Watch for further notice.

Death of Mrs. Jerry Miller.

Mrs. Jerry Miller, three miles south of Franklin Grove, on the Franklin and Amboy road, died at 12 o'clock noon on Wednesday, Feb. 15, aged 59 years last Sunday. The funeral will be at the Brethren church on the Dixon and Franklin road at 11 o'clock a. m. of Friday, the 17th. The deceased leaves a husband and six children.

Fell to Her Death.

The Rockford Register-Gazette says that Mrs. Robert Edwards of that city at noon yesterday was found by her husband at the foot of the cellar stairs, dead, where she had evidently accidentally fallen while preparing the midday meal. As there were no bones broken, death was probably the result of concussion of the brain.

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ARMY BILL OR EXTRA

Alternative the President Is Giving the Statesmen at Washington.

MUST ENACT THE NEW ARMY LAW,

Or He Will Call the Congress in Extra Session for That Purpose—Cannon Wins His Great Fight Against a Rider on an Appropriation Bill on a Straight Vote of the House—The Reciprocity Negotiations with Canada.

Washington, Feb. 16.—The president has conveyed assurances to some of the party leaders in congress that he will certainly call congress together in extra session if it fails to pass the army reorganization bill at the present session. In answer to repeated inquiries the administration has been obliged to decline all propositions looking to the tiding over of the needs of the army by passing a joint resolution simply extending the appropriations on the basis of the present organization, holding that this device would be utterly inadequate to meet the absolute necessities of the case. The status of the volunteers would, it is said, be extremely unsatisfactory, and there would be absolutely no assurance that the president could retain them in service even when the emergency was great. The same statement would apply to the regular army soldiers who enlisted for the war.

Must Have Those Staff and Line Officers.

A very serious objection to the joint resolution programme, according to the war department officials, would be its failure to supply the staff and line officers absolutely needed. These officials say that the pending Hull bill provides for just 822 original appointments of second lieutenants, and it is declared to be the policy of the administration to divide these places among the states and territories on the basis of the population.

War Office Against Cockrell's Bill.

Reports from the senate end of the Capitol convey the impression to the officials that the speediest way to secure action upon the reorganization bill is to allow the Cockrell bill to be reported from the military committee, it being understood that this bill commands the support of the majority of that committee. Providing, as it does, for a purely native soldiery in Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines, the measure is looked upon by the war department officials as most unsatisfactory. Therefore they have urged their friends in the senate, while allowing this bill to be reported from the committee, to move the adoption of the Hull bill as it came from the house as a substitute.

CANNON WINS HIS CONTENTION.

And the Nicaragua Rider Does Not Go on the Sundry Civil Bill.

Washington, Feb. 16.—The house yesterday settled the fate of the Nicaragua canal bill in this congress by refusing to override the decision of the chair in committee of the whole when the chair held that the canal bill offered as an amendment by Hepburn was out of order. The friends of the Nicaragua bill were very confident that they would triumph, but after four hours of debate the chair was sustained 127 to 109 on a vote by tellers. Bailey made an argument in favor of the view that the amendment was in order. The debate throughout the day was exceedingly spirited, and in the end a majority of the members refused to override the house rules. No record is made of the vote in committee of the whole. Party lines were not adhered to, the division in favor and in opposition to sustaining the chair's decision being about equal on both sides of the political aisle.

In the senate McEnery, as a question of personal privilege, made an emphatic denial of the statement that his resolution, adopted by the senate Tuesday, was introduced in the interest of the sugar growers of Louisiana. He said that he had not consulted the planters about the resolution, and that as a matter of fact they were known to be opposed as a body to the ratification of the peace treaty.

AS TO CANADIAN RECIPROCITY.

Authoritative Statement of the Situation—F. Actuality Exists.

Washington, Feb. 16.—Whether or not the negotiations looking to the settlement of the dozen or more issues between the United States and Canada by means of the joint commission now in session ultimately will fail entirely can scarcely be foretold here at this moment. But, regardless of the outcome, it can be stated on authority that the American commissioners have not, as represented, refused the concessions asked by the Canadians. On the contrary, the American commissioners have listened with the greatest patience for the past six months to every argument that the Canadians cared to present in support of the important concessions they desired, and so far from refusing these, the Americans have granted some of the most important—concessions that it is admitted are so broad as to make it difficult for the American commissioners to assure themselves of the support of their government and congress in allowing them.

It is said further—and this statement is borne out by the open declarations of the officials of both the United States and Canada—that while a number of propositions, nearly all of importance, were agreed upon by the two governments as proper subjects to be considered by the joint commission with a view to their inclusion in the projected treaty or series of treaties, it was not expected—although of course it was hoped—that final agreement would be reached on all of these subjects. Just such a state of affairs as that expected apparently has now been reached in the joint negotiations by the commission. Agreements have been

reached on some questions of the first importance, including matters that have been the cause of constant friction between the United States and Canada for very many years.

On some other questions the commissioners have not been able to get together; it is even probable that they never will. The question is whether, in view of this partial agreement, the two governments will consider it worth while to attempt to base a treaty on those matters that have already been agreed upon. The commissioners are not bound to do this unless they see fit, as it is understood that in such negotiations there must be always more or less "trading," in other words concessions must be made by one party on one point to secure a concession by the second party on another, and it remains to be seen whether both the United States and Canada will regard the agreement so far reached as constituting a fair adjustment.

Reward for General Miller.

Washington, Feb. 16.—Colonel Marcus P. Miller, of the Third regiment of artillery, will be nominated to be brigadier general in the regular army. General Miller commanded the military forces which captured the city of Hilo, and his promotion is in recognition of his meritorious services on that occasion.

Nominates the Librarian.

Washington, Feb. 16.—The president yesterday sent the following nominations to the senate: Samuel J. Barrows, of Massachusetts, to be librarian of congress; George W. Wilson, of Ohio, now deputy commissioner of internal revenue, to be commissioner of internal revenue.

Indiana Man Sails for Porto Rico.

Washington, Feb. 16.—Captain W. H. Elliott, of Newcastle, Ind., director of posts for the island of Porto Rico, sailed from New York today for San Juan on the transport Mississippi, together with Messrs. Macias and Nixon, his confidential assistants.

UNCLE SAM LOSES A MILLION.

Four Ships in Brooklyn Navy Yard Destroyed by the Flames.

New York, Feb. 16.—Four alarms were turned in last night for a fire in machine shop No. 28 in the Brooklyn navy yard at the east end of the yard. This was a three-story brick building built in the 60's, and was full of old machinery. The woodwork of the building was so well saturated with oil that the flames made great headway and the building was doomed before the firemen got the streams to playing on it.

The coppersmith, boiler, and carpenter's shops and the foundry were soon in flames and burning fiercely, all being destroyed. The machine shop is a total loss. In this building were stored and kept patterns and models of the various warships built from time to time. All of these models and patterns were destroyed. The loss is estimated at \$1,000,000 at the lowest, and it is very probable that it will reach a higher figure, as all the patterns and models were expensive of construction.

COAL SITUATION AT PANAMA.

Negro Miners Not Going with Farley—Scheme That Did Not Carry.

Panama, Ills., Feb. 16.—The much advertised free excursion trains to convey the negro miners back to Birmingham in charge of President Farley, of the Alabama Union Mine Workers, failed to materialize. The negroes say they had no intention of accepting Farley's offer of free train, steady work and higher wages, as they believed it only a scheme to get them out of Illinois.

A resolution offered at the council meeting requesting Sheriff Downey to ask Governor Tanner to recall the remainder of the troops miscarried, having the support of only three out of ten aldermen. Sheriff Downey had agreed to comply with the council's request had the resolution carried.

Debs' "Right Bower" Very Ill.

Chicago, Feb. 16.—Sylvester Kellher, known as the "right bower" of Eugene V. Debs during the stirring days of the American Railway Union strike of 1894, is ill at his home, in this city, suffering from an attack of appendicitis. He returned to Chicago last Saturday from Michigan, where he had been traveling in the interests of the circulation department of a local newspaper.

Coroner and Police Battled.

Panama, Ills., Feb. 16.—After a continuous session since Jan. 30 the coroner's jury in the Mary McIntyre murder case has adjourned. The verdict is "Came to her death from wounds inflicted with a hatchet and shovel in the hands of an unknown person or persons." The police have abandoned hope of ferreting out the mystery, and capturing the murderer.

Mrs. Adams Murder Mystery.

New York, Feb. 16.—Fred E. Hovey and Dr. Edwin F. Hitchcock were the only witnesses examined in the Adams inquest yesterday. Dr. Hitchcock attended Mrs. Adams after she had taken the poison. No developments of any note were brought to light and the mystery is as dense as ever.

Wiped Out a Family of Three.

Chicago, Feb. 16.—Three persons lost their lives Tuesday night in the fire in the Arlington flat building, Forty-first street and Grand boulevard. The dead are Fred A. Martie, mail carrier at station M; Mrs. Fred A. Martie and their infant son. They were never seen after having been warned to flee.

Disorderly Students Fined.

Madison, Wis., Feb. 16.—The trial of the five students charged with disorderly conduct after the recent opera-house disturbance was completed in the municipal court Tuesday. One was fined \$20 and costs, another was fined \$20 and costs and three were discharged.

Did Not Forget Her Servant.

Oshkosh, Wis., Feb. 16.—The will of Elenor Williams, of Neenah, gives \$1,000 in cash, a horse and buggy and the complete barn equipments. The total value of the estate is estimated at \$40,000.

Somebody Was Getting Hurt.

Hartford, Conn., Feb. 16.—The police stopped the Maher-Conroy fight in the seventh round last night. Maher had the better of it all the way through.

Dellenbaugh Wants a New Trial.

Cleveland, Feb. 16.—Counsel for Judge F. E. Dellenbaugh yesterday filed a motion for a new trial.

CAPTAIN HAD FUSEES,

Or in All Probability Fourteen More Would Be on the Storm Death Roll.

LAWRENCE CREW HAS GOOD LUCK.

Vessel Wrecked and All Hands Adrift in Open Boats in a Freezing Storm—Every Man Saved—Last Two Boatloads Rescued—Small Fire Keeps Them from Freezing to Death—Search for the Missing Bulgaria and Pannonia.

Savannah, Ga., Feb. 16.—Every member of the crew of the wrecked steamship William Lawrence has been saved, but only after the greater number of them had suffered terrible hardships. The tugs Cambria and Cynthia came in last evening from the Sea Islands of South Carolina bringing with them Captain A. L. Willis and thirteen men, constituting those who had been missing since Sunday morning, when the ship was abandoned in the breakers off Port Royal bar. The tug Cambria left the city at daybreak yesterday morning and searched every island and inlet northward until the castaways were found. At 9 o'clock the party was discovered on Hunting Island and taken on board the Cambria. Captain Willis and his men suffered but little less than the crew of Mate Beale's boat, which tied up at the sea buoy off Port Royal and was rescued by a pilot boat Tuesday.

Twelve Hours in a Freezing Gale.

They left the ship at 9 o'clock Sunday morning. After twelve hours at sea in a blinding and freezing gale the two boats under the captain and the first officer made land on Capers' Island, a desolate and bare little sand spot. In beaching, both of the boats were smashed and the men thrown into the surf. Though almost exhausted and numb they managed to scramble beyond the reach of the waves. What little brackish drinking water they had was lost, together with the biscuits—long since salt soaked—which had been brought off the wreck. There was no fresh water and extremely little fuel on the island, nor shelter in any shape.

Captain Had Some Matches.

The captain had a few matches in a metallic box in his pocket. They were found to be dry. Tearing the seats out of the wrecked boats, after much coaxing a fire was made under the lee of a sand dune. The limited fuel kept the men from freezing to death. The men hovered over the little blaze all during the sleet and snow storm of Sunday night and Monday, when the mercury was marking 8 to 10 above zero. On Tuesday morning one of the boats was temporarily repaired and both crews got into it to try to reach Port Royal. They had been without food since Sunday morning, and without water since Sunday afternoon. After painful efforts they reached Hunting Island. Some soldiers were stationed there. They took them in and fed and warned them.

SEARCH FOR MISSING LINERS.

Tug Sent to Look for the Pannonia—Story of Bulgaria Sailors.

London, Feb. 16.—The Cunard line yesterday dispatched a powerful tug to the Azores islands in search of the Pannonia. Other vessels are cruising in those waters looking for the Bulgaria.

Boston, Feb. 16.—The Cunard officials in Boston are still without fresh news of the Pannonia, but they assert their confidence in the safety of the steamer. New York, Feb. 16.—The sailors rescued from the missing steamship Bulgaria, of the Hamburg-American line, which is supposed to have been lost off the Azores the latter part of last week have made a statement before the German consul in Punta del Gada, who has cabled it to this city. The statement follows:

On Feb. 23, during a severe northwestern gale, the rudder broke and three large and five collapsible boats were borne away. The ship being then without helm pounded tremendously and sprung a leak. On the 23 of the month there was eight feet of water in compartment No. 4, and the ship leaked over to port. Over 1,000 bags of freight was shifted from port to starboard without success. On Feb. 5 we sighted the Weehawken and requested assistance.

The first boat of the Bulgaria took ten passengers, but before we were able to take more the boat was torn away by heavy seas. The second boat, with Second Officer Schreger and four men, was also torn away by the sea before the passengers could be taken, and we lost sight of the vessel. The Weehawken launched two boats; one filled with water and the other saved eight persons. The Weehawken remained until noon on the 6th without seeing the Bulgaria again. Two other unknown steamers were near the Bulgaria, but we do not know what aid they gave."

Cold Weather Kills the Ducks.

Milwaukee, Feb. 16.—Lake captains report that wild ducks are suffering and dying by hundreds on the lake. Wherever a small spot of open water is found ducks can be seen tumbling all over each other to get into it, and in some places, vesselmen say, there appear to be thousands of the ducks about. People living on Jones island and in the lower part of the city are getting hundreds of the ducks by shooting them in the morning at the places where open water is found.

Quails Are Freezing to Death.

Mount Vernon, Ills., Feb. 16.—Reports from all parts of Jefferson county are to the effect that quails are freezing and starving to death by thousands, as the snow is eleven inches deep and the cold up to Tuesday has been intense. It is feared that quail hunting will be a lost art here for the next five years. Young calves, lambs, pigs and poultry have died in great numbers from the cold.

Handsome Gift to a College.

Galesburg, Ills., Feb. 16.—At the close of Founders' Day exercises at Knox college last night President Finley announced the contribution of an additional endowment of \$100,000 by friends of the college. Among contributors are D. K. Pearson, Chicago, \$25,000; and S. S. McClure, New York, \$10,000.

WAGENMAN'S BOOKS RIGHT.

Alleged Shortage at St. Louis Fails to Come to Light.

St. Louis, Feb. 16.—Expert Accountant Joseph L. Bay, who has been at work on the books of Clerk Al Wagenman, of the court of criminal correction, reported to the senate investigating committee yesterday that Wagenman's accounts were correct. Several weeks ago it was reported that Wagenman was short in his accounts, and his disappearance for twenty-four hours at the time caused a sensation in St. Louis. The examination of the books was completed yesterday, and at the request of the Lexow committee Bay submitted the result in brief, although his formal report will not be made for several days.

Wagenman was at the Four courts when the fact was announced that Bay had discovered nothing wrong with the books. His gratification was evident. He said that he expected no other result, but that it was a relief to know that the result was really as he expected it to be.

Illinois Legislature.

Springfield, Ills., Feb. 16.—The senate passed bills: Appropriating \$9,000 for a monument to Frances E. Willard in the National Statuary hall at Washington; paying an outstanding warrant for \$2,500 for building the Lovejoy monument at Alton. A number of bills were advanced to third reading. In both houses the street railway bill agreed on by the senate committee was read the first time. It provides for 4-cent fares, twenty-five-year franchises and municipal ownership under certain restrictions. Three contests remaining before the house elections committee were dismissed. They are Foster vs. Harris, Dorman vs. Shanahan and Shafer vs. Carmody from Eleventh, Ninth and Thirteenth districts respectively. The house labor committee decided to report the bill providing for free employment agencies after some minor amendments were adopted.

Whisky Nearly Causes a Horror.

Black River Falls, Wis., Feb. 16.—What might have resulted in a serious railway wreck was narrowly averted near this city Tuesday night. A farmer who had freely imbibed through the day started for home after nightfall and instead of taking the highway with his team he started up the railroad track, but soon got his wagon fast between the rails. He then abandoned the team and started back for town. A resident of the neighborhood passing on his way home discovered the situation and with difficulty extracted the team and sleigh from the dangerous situation, and none too soon, as a fast train soon went whizzing by.

Electric Line in the Copper Region.

Calumet, Mich., Feb. 16.—A project is on foot to run a street electric line about the copper district and the matter has been brought to the attention of the various cities through applications which have been made to the councils for franchises. It is intended to encircle the copper district with the electric line, and Boston capital, which has always been prominent in developing the copper country, is backing the project.

Illinois Beet Sugar Trade.

Champaign, Ills., Feb. 16.—There will be a meeting of the Illinois Sugar Beet Growers' association held in Apollo hall, Princeton, Feb. 24 at 10 o'clock a. m. The annual meeting of the Illinois Farmers' Institute will be held at Princeton Feb. 21, 22 and 23, and there will be a large attendance of farmers interested in the growing of sugar beets and the manufacture of sugar.

Turk Again Wins a Wrestle.

Milwaukee, Feb. 16.—Hall Adali, the Turkish wrestler, before a large audience at the South Side Athletic club last night met and defeated Captain Tom Shields. Bert Scheller and Tom Cannon inside of ninety minutes, according to agreement. Shields was thrown twice and Cannon and Scheller once each. The bouts were catch-as-catch-can.

President En Route to Boston.

Washington, Feb. 16.—President McKinley and party left Washington for Boston at 5:25 p. m. yesterday. The party consists in chief part of the president, Secretaries Alger, Long and Bliss, Postmaster General Smith and Representative Grosvenor.

Luncheon for Indiana Senator.

Philadelphia, Feb. 16.—Albert J. Beveridge, recently elected to the United States senate from Indiana, was tendered a luncheon at the Union League yesterday. Snow kept him from getting here Lincoln Day, as had been arranged.

ABBREVIATED TELEGRAMS.

A plague panic has occurred in the southern Kolar gold fields of Mysore, India. About 2,500 coolies have bolted. Up to date about 22,000 tons of sugar beets have been delivered at Bay City, Mich. This is about one-half of the crop.

Charles Chapman Backus, one of the organizers of the American Express company, is dead, at New York, aged 82 years.

Edward Murray, a Chicago blacksmith, was taken to the county hospital suffering from what is thought to be hydrophobia.

Contracts have been let by the Michigan Portland Cement company for building two big additions to their factory at Coldwater.

The Cramps at Philadelphia celebrated the anniversary of the Maine tragedy by laying the keel of the new Maine, first-class battleship.

Yesterday was the anniversary of the destruction of the Maine, and in many cities Old Glory was half-masted in memory of the tragedy.

A bill to annul the national inheritance tax on the estate of the late James L. High has been filed in the United States court at Chicago.

The bicycle factory and machine shop of Isadore Silverman & Bro., at Chicago, was partly destroyed by fire, causing a loss of about \$75,000.

Secretary Long has issued an order prohibiting the sale or issue to enlisted men of malt or spirituous liquors on board ships of the navy or within the limits of naval stations.

John McCallum, agent at Chippewa Falls, Wis., for the John Ross lumber interests and prominently known in lumber circles, was struck by a falling tree. His back was broken and he died.

HARD TO EXPLAIN.

If This Had Occurred Anywhere Else Than Dixon, There Might Be Grave Doubts About It.

If this were published anywhere else but in Dixon, that is, if the statement below went the rounds of the press the readers in Boston or New Orleans would not believe it. In the very nature of things, men and women will not believe that a simple little pill would have any effect on humanity when the subject is in a serious condition. When it has that effect, when the party is a living witness, perhaps a neighbor, Dixon people, at least, cannot possibly deny it—particularly so when investigation is courted. Now ask Mr. Wm. Evans, who lives at 724 Broadway and see if he will not corroborate personally what he says publicly.

Mr. Evans, who is Ex-City Treasurer of Sterling, Illinois, says: "The use of Doan's Kidney Pills convinced me of their value. Pains in my back more or less severe had annoyed me for six or seven years. Often when at work in my garden I would be seized with twinges and sometimes steady acting across the loins, so severe that I was forced to stop operations until the paroxysms passed away. The high endorsement of Doan's Kidney Pills led me to procure a box at a drug store. Before I had finished it I could work about my place with pleasure unconvinced by neither weakness across the loins nor twinges of pain in the back. My experience leads me to believe that sufferers from kidney trouble would consult their own interests if they gave Doan's Kidney Pills a trial."

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SEIDEL-KLOSTERMAN WEDDING
A Home Affair at Prairieville—Many
Guests Present.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Seidel in Prairieville last evening at 8 o'clock took place the marriage of their daughter, Miss Anna M., to Ernest H. Klostermann, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Klostermann. Rev. Brown of the Lutheran church at Sterling performed the ceremony. The young people stood alone and plighted their vows, and after congratulations were over the wedding party and guests were seated at a sumptuous wedding supper. The groom is a native of Palmyra and his chosen bride came to this community from Kansas with her parents some five years ago. She has become a favorite with all who have made her acquaintance. On March 1 Mr. and Mrs. Klostermann will take up their residence on an adjoining farm and begin their married life with the good will of a large circle of friends. The guests at the wedding were:
From Sterling: Rev. and Mrs. Brown Messrs. and Mesdames Anson Thummel, F. F. Klostermann, Louis Schmoeger, Mervin Heminger, D. A. Bricker, Wm. Schroeder. Mrs. Wm. Runk; Messrs. J. J. Miller, C. G. Seidel, Fred Seidel, Will Oltmanns, Lloyd Thummel, Oliver Runk. Misses Marie Oltmanns, Jessie Bricker, Mabel Thummel.
From Emerson, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Seidel.
Milledgeville—Mr. and Mrs. C. Shultz.
Clinton—Bert Pfundstein.
Chicago—Wilbur Nickerson.
Erie—Charles Pfundstein and Miss Mary Pfundstein.
Dixon—Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lamken, Mr. and Mrs. Matt Rickert.
Prairieville—Messrs. and Mesdames W. F. Powers, Frank Miller, Geo. Klostermann, Fred Royer, Charles LeFevre; Herbert Klostermann, Miss Nellie Klostermann, Frank Williams.

RUINED BY CIGARETTES.
Aldermen Whose Friends are Victims
Favor High License.

Five hundred dollars is likely to be the next cigarette license fee. Some of the aldermen say they will propose an amendment to the ordinance, fixing the license at that sum. Alderman Conlon wants to make it \$1,000.
The reason given for this proposed action is the cases of insanity they say have come under their notice by the use of cigarettes. Alderman Brennan yesterday cited the case of a friend named John Brenhem, the brother of a well-known grocer on Halsted street. Brenhem was 27 or 28 years old, he says, and a hatter by trade. He became a cigarette fiend, smoking the paper "pipes" day and night. He smoked before getting up in the morning and in bed after retiring. He finally became insane, was sent to the asylum at Dunning, and died there.
Alderman Charles Martin of the sixth ward has a son whose constant smoking of cigarettes, he says, has caused the "tobacco heart." The young man is incapacitated from work and is under the constant care of a physician. The alderman favors \$1,000 license fee. Alderman Conlon says that young Gazzolo, who was recently arrested in a hold-up case on the West Side, was caught by the cigarette habit. The young man's father is a wealthy man, and no cause can be assigned for the son's action except lunacy. He is said to have been an excessive cigarette smoker.
Alderman Martin says that he knows of a dozen young men who have been ruined in health by the use of cigarettes. He has declared war on the "cotton-leaf" business and wants the fee made prohibitory.—Inter Ocean

Dixon Personals From the Sterling Standard.

Trilby Carr of Dixon was a business visitor in this city.
J. M. Rubenstein of Dixon was the guest of friends in this city.
Wm. Anderson of Dixon was the guest of friends in this city.
Charles Brown, Charles Keller and Frank Kelly of Dixon attended the mask dance in this city Tuesday evening.
Miss Mary Phalen has returned to her home in Dixon, after a visit of a few days with Miss Rose Kohl of this city.
Miss Anne Steel and Miss Georgia Steel of Dixon, who have been guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William S. McCloy a short time, have returned to their homes.

MEDITATIONS OF MARTIN DOOLEY.
On a Hero Who Worked Overtime.

"Well, sir," said Mr. Dooley, "it looks now as if they was nothing left for me young frind Aggynaldoo to do but time. Like as not a year fr'm now he'll be in jail, like Napoleon, th' improver th' Fr-rinch was in his day, an' Mike, th' Burglar, an' other pathrites. That's what comes iv bein' a pathrite too long. 'Tis a good job whin they're nawthin else to do, but 'tis not th' thing to wurruk overtime at. 'Tis a sort iv out-iv-dure sport that ye shud engage in durin' th' summer vacation, but whin a man carries it on durin' business hours people begin to get down on him, an' after awhile they're ready to hang him to get him out iv th' way. As Hogan says, 'Th' las' thing that happens to a pathrite he's a scoundhel.'"
"Las' summer there wasn't a warmer pathrite annywhere in our imperyal dominions thin this same Aggynaldoo. I was with him meself. Says I:
"They're a good coon," I says, 'they put up internal rivinue offices an' post-offices,' I says, 'we'll give him a good job as a letter carrier,' I says, 'where he won't have annything to do,' I says, 'but walk,' I says.
"An' so th' consul at Ding Dong, th' man that r-run that ind iv th' war, he says to Aggynaldoo, 'Go,' he says, 'where glory waits ye,' he says. 'Go an' sthrike a blow,' he says, 'fr' ye're counthry,' he says. 'Go,' he says, 'I'll stay but ye go,' he says. 'They're nawthin' in stayin' an' ye might get hold of a tyrannical watch or a pocket-book down beyant,' he says. An' off wint the brave patrite to do his jooty. He done it, too. Whin Cousin George was pastin' th' former hated Castiles who was it stood on th' shore shootin' his bow-an'-arrow into th' sky, but Aggynaldoo? Whin me frind Gin'ral Merritt was ladin' a gallant charge again blank catredges who was it rarged his noble ar-rmy in pathrites behind him fr' to see that no wan attacked him fr'm th' sea but Aggynaldoo? He was a good man thin—a good noisy man.
"Th' thrubble was he didn't know whin to knock off. He didn't hear th' wurruk bell callin' him to come in fr'm playin' ball an' get down to business. Says me Cousin George: 'Aggynaldoo, me buck,' he says, 'th' war is over,' he says, 'an' we've settled down to th' ol' game,' he says. 'They're no more heroes. All iv thim has gone to wurruk fr'm th' magazines. They're no more pathrites,' he says. 'They've got jobs as guv'nors or ar-re lookin' fr' thim or annything else,' he says. 'All th' prom'nint saviors iv their counthry,' he says, but meself, he says, 'is busy preparin' their defende,' he says. 'I have no defende,' he says, 'but I'm where they can't reach me,' he says. 'Th' spoort is all out iv th' job an' if ye don't come in an' jine th' tilling' masses iv wage wurrukers,' he says, 'ye won't even have th' credit iv bein' licked in a glorious victory,' he says. 'So to th' wood pile with ye,' he says, fr' ye can't go on eillybratin' th' P'orth iv July without bein' took up fr' disorderly conduct,' he says.
"An' Aggynaldoo doesn't under-stand it. An' he gathers his Archery club ar-round him an' says he: 'Fellow-pathrites,' he says, 'we've been betrayed,' he says. 'We've been sold out without,' he says, 'gettin' th' usual commission,' he says, 'an' our pitchers is in th' pa-pers,' he says. 'Go in,' he says, 'an' sthrike a blow at th' gay deceivers,' he says. 'I'll sell ye're lives dear,' he says. An' th' Archery club wint in. Th' pathrites wint up again a band iv Kansas sojers, that was wanst heroes before they larned th' hay-foot-straw foot, an' is now arrin' th' wages iv a good harvest hand all th' year ar-round an' d' rather fight than ate th' ar-rmy beef, an' ye know what happened. Some iv th' poor divvies iv heroes is liberated fr'm th' cares iv life, an' th' r-rest iv thim is up in hrees an' wishin' they was home smokin' a good seegar with mother.
"An' all this because Aggynaldoo didn't hear th' whistle blow. He thought th' boom was still on in th' nero business. If he'd come in ye'd be hearin' that James Halth Aggynaldoo'd been appinted fourth-class postmaster at Hootchy Kootchy, but now th' nex' ye know iv him 'll be on th' blotter at th' polis station: 'James Halth Aggynaldoo, alias Pompydoor Jim, charged with carryin' concealed weepins an' caysistin' an' officer.' Pathritism always dies whin ye establish a polis force."
"Well," said Mr. Hennessy, "I'm kind iv sorry fr' th' la-ads with th' bows-an'-arrows. Maybe they think they're pathrites." "Divvie th' bit iv difference it makes what they think, so long we don't think so," said Mr. Dooley. "It's what Father Kelly calls a case iv mayhem at chew 'em. That's Latin, Hinnessy, an' it manes what's wan man's food is another man's pizen."—Copyright, 1899, by The Chicago Journal.

—A girly girl writes the News to know what started the fad for weddings at high noon. It is probably because Adam's wedding Eve caused so much trouble.—Genesee News.

TO TALK ABOUT SUGAR BEETS.
Farmers of Illinois Will Meet This Month at Princeton.

There will be a meeting of the Illinois Sugar Beet Growers' association at Princeton, Feb. 24 at 9 o'clock. The annual meeting of the Illinois Farmers' Institute will be held at Princeton Feb. 21, 22 and 23, and it is thought that there will be a large attendance of the farmers interested in the growing of the sugar beet and the manufacture of sugar therefrom. The best authorities on this subject will be present and give addresses. The program for the farmer's meeting is an excellent one and it is thought that much benefit will be derived from it.

The Seven Ages of Man.

[New Translation]
[We take special pleasure in presenting to our readers the prospective and retrospective analysis of the life of a friend and co-worker. Let young men read and beware.—EDITOR]
I.
We look into a cradle and behold a crying male babe.
II.
Two years later he has brown eyes and golden curls and is his mother's delight.
III.
At the age of ten he is a noisy kid with half the buttons off his clothes and an eye for meanness.
IV.
At fifteen he is devil in a print shop.
V.
At twenty he is publisher of a country newspaper and at the head of every enterprise calculated to improve the town or enrich the business men thereof.
VI.
At thirty-five he is an emaciated wornout man, with a bald head and holes in his pockets.
VII.
And at fifty he is a corpse in a cheap coffin and his only resources left are two cases of long primer type, a Washington hand press and a subscription book with 678 delinquent subscribers, who line up and march past the coffin, saying: "He was a public-spirited fellow, but he couldn't never save no money."—The Illinois Editor.

Language Study.

Broadly speaking, there are two methods which are used for the teaching of a language: that of the mother and that of the grammarian. The child learns its own or mother tongue from the mother; it learns a foreign tongue from a teacher, whose highest ambition is to be a grammarian. Does the child learn better from the mother or from the grammarian? Without doubt, from the mother, according to the mother method. If this is so, must we use the example of the mother or of the grammarian when we are to begin the teaching of a foreign language? Is there any reason why a foreign tongue should be otherwise taught than the mother tongue? Is it not at least worth the trouble to try the method of the motaer when it is every day demonstrated that who have had five, six, seven years of teaching are unable, on leaving school, so much as to understand when the language they have been studying is used in conversation?—Charlotte Taylor, in Appletons' Popular Science Monthly.

"Slow Up."

The fast limited Chicago and Omaha trains lately put on by the North-Western, Burlington and Rock Island will not run after this week. They are all to be taken off Sunday. There are several good reasons given by the railroad officials for this "slow up." It did not pay; a rate war was feared and so the fast train order was cancelled. Well, we had one fine fast ride through to Denver on the North-Western, and that will last us for a year or two.

A Water Main Blows Up.

During the progress of a fire in Clinton Tuesday afternoon the water pressure was so great that the large main was burst. Pieces of pipe, rock and earth were hurled into the air. The water poured out of the broken main and flooded the south side of the street clear down to the river. Another stream equally as large flowed down the north side of the cross street.

Unclaimed Mail.

Letters and postal cards at the Dixon Postoffice unclaimed:
Mrs. Nellie Burton, David Byers, Mrs. Mary Clark, J. W. Depart, Mrs. Lizzie Dixon, Miss Flavia Gaines, Elmer Lower, W. D. Mackey, Miss Mary O'Connell, Arthur Potter, W. H. Prescott, Frank D. Rusling, Frank Shepher, John Itsley, Miss Mary Williams, Emie Yost, D. Christ Reinhardt.

—Mr. Chas. Rathburn arrived in our city last evening to visit at the Thomas Barber home.

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Farmers' Club Meeting.

The Farmers' Club held their regular meeting Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 15, at the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Rickard in North Dixon. The attendance was very large and the session was most thoroughly enjoyed.

The meeting was called to order promptly at 2 o'clock by A. A. Beede, the newly-elected president, who in a few timely remarks thanked the club for the honor they had conferred upon him and pledged his best efforts in a continuance of its success. He also suggested some changes in the programs of future meetings which will add materially to their interest.

After the secretary's report had been read and corrections made (the error which we humble ourselves to confess was an acknowledged courtesy shown the newly-elected officers that should have appeared in the report of the last meeting and did not, viz: That the secretary cast the unanimous ballot of all present for A. A. Beede for president, A. G. Selig for vice president and Carrie L. Swigart, secretary and treasurer) a motion was made that no individual name be proposed for membership unless he expressed a desire to become a member. The motion prevailed.

County Superintendent I. F. Edwards was then introduced and ably defended the cause of graduation, as set forth in a most excellent paper prepared for the occasion.

A general outline of the work was given showing the impossibilities of the past in a successful co-operation among the districts of the township. The failure to comprehend the exact standing of pupils from year to year and even from term to term on account of an ungraded system and no properly arranged register. And especially did he emphasize the great mistake in changing teachers each term, but instead hire the teacher by the year and let that year be 9 months instead of seven, hire a first class teacher and pay him living wages. One commendable plan has been the adoption by more than fifty districts of Lee Co., of the state course of study. This has been the means of showing the necessary importance of hiring teachers by the year. The necessity of a heart union between parents and teachers in all school work was distinctly shown. We would that we might give this excellent article in full, but have barely touched upon a few of the many good points contained in this paper of over twenty pages. Suffice it to say that those present have a better idea than ever before of the graduation plan as now adopted by Lee Co. and all feel with the knowledge gained no mistake had been made in submitting this question "The Benefits and Objections of graduations of Country Schools," for consideration.

Letters were read from the Superintendents and Principals of Dixon, Pawpaw, and Sterling High Schools relative to this subject and the general verdict was in favor of continuing this system of graduation. At the close of Mr. Edwards' paper a most earnest discussion followed and the many questions submitted to Mr. Edwards were answered in a most satisfactory manner. We would that more had availed themselves of the opportunity of listening to this scholarly paper.

A motion that all those favoring the present system of graduation, rise, resulted decidedly in favor of it. A motion was also made and unanimously carried that a vote of thanks be tendered Superintendent Edwards for his address. In view of the fact that Mr. Edwards had journeyed from his home in Amboy for the express purpose of accepting an invitation to be present at this meeting, a motion that he be placed on the roll of honorary members of the club--the highest honor conferred by the club--was likewise given consent. This mark of appreciation was most courteously received by Mr. Edwards. A number having offered their houses in which to hold the meetings, the invitation to hold next session, March 15, at A. C. Dollmeyer's was accepted. An invitation from Mr. and Mrs. Warren Smith to a Farmers' Club social at their home in Palmyra, Wednesday evening, March 22, was accepted. It is desired that each family represented bring a well filled basket, as good substantial refreshments will be served and a pleasing program will be given. The subject for next meeting will be announced later.

The members of the club appreciate the kindly interest shown by the teachers of the North Dixon High School who dropped in after their duties of the day were over to listen to the discussion. Those present were, Misses Williamson, Pratt, Rosbrook, Carpenter and Prof. Baldwin.

CARRIE L. SWIGART, Sec'y.

Pitcher Spreading Out.

We read in the Warren Sentinel that the board of supervisors of Jo. Daviess county voted permission to L. D. Pitcher of Dixon to erect telephone lines in the county. This probably means a line from Stockton to Galena, via Warren.

The Great Bombardment.

The regions of space beyond our planet are filled with flying fragments. Some meet the earth in its onward rush; others, having attained inconceivable velocity, overtake and crash into the whirling sphere with loud detonation and ominous glare, finding destruction in its molecular armor, or perhaps ricocheting from it again into the unknown. Some come singly, vagrant fragments from the infinity of space; others fall in showers like golden rain; all constituting a bombardment appalling in its magnitude. It has been estimated that every twenty-four hours the earth or its atmosphere is struck by four hundred million missiles of iron or stone, ranging from an ounce up to tons in weight.

Every month there rushes upon the flying globe at least twelve billion iron and stone fragments, which, with lurid accompaniment, crash into the circumambient atmosphere. Owing to the resistance offered by the air, few of these solid shots strike the earth. They move out of space with a possible velocity of thirty or forty miles per second, and, like moths, plunge into the revolving globe, lured to their destruction by its fatal attraction. The moment they enter our atmosphere they ignite; the air is piled up and compressed ahead of them with inconceivable force, the resultant friction producing an immediate rise in temperature, and the shooting star, the meteor of popular parlance, is the result.---Appleton's Popular Science Monthly.

College Notes.

The society designated [the] "Verein Germania," and which is in charge of Mr. J. W. Kruger, will hold a meeting this evening at 6:40 in room A.

Since so many of the Teacher's Class attend the Jenkin Lloyd Jones lectures there will be no meeting of the culture reading class this evening.

After the remarks by Professor Williamson Thursday morning, the student who parrot-like tried to mimic the voice of the one announcing the hymns in chapel, will hereafter stick his bill into his feathers and cease croaking or perch himself on some out-building, where his silly antics will disturb no one.

While they were singing that old familiar hymn, "Take Me As I Am," in chapel the other morning, a young lady was heard to remark to the young gentlemen in the same seat with her, "No you needn't, I'll put on my best." The young man looked at her and smiled, but in the language of the Portorican, it was "No Comprehendo."

There is a chance now for Dixon College placing in the field the strongest base ball team this section of the country has ever had. It is said by those who know the colors will be somewhat of a professional tinge, and though it will take considerable money to support such a team, the boys are going to make a trial of it this season. They ought to receive all the help possible by every lover of the game.

A Live Lord Passes Through Dixon Tomorrow.

Lord Charles Beresford, of Her Majesty's service, and who, we understand, was sent to China and Japan by the London Chamber of Commerce to ascertain the status of commercial affairs in China, will arrive in Chicago Friday morning, February 17th, on the Overland Limited train, passing through Dixon on the C. & N. W. tomorrow morning at 4:50.

—Chas. L. Hatch of Sublette has an eight-day clock that has been in the family for more than 100 years. It was willed to him by an aunt, with the condition that it remain permanently in the family, that it shall be in turn willed by him to someone in the direct Hatch line. It is one of the old fashioned clocks, eight feet or more high, the case being solid mahogany, with long weights and pendulum. It has a very fine finish, being as brilliant and beautiful in finish as a piano. It keeps as good time as ever. The name on the face is "Edward E. Spaulding, Providence, R.I." It is a very valuable family heirloom and one of which the family may justly feel proud. The only other clock of the kind that we know of is one owned by Josiah Little of this city. That is in as good condition now as when new more than 100 years ago, and keeps accurate time. No money value can be placed upon such a family heirloom.—Amboy Journal.

—Mrs. Carrie L. Grout of Rockford, district president of the W. C. T. U., will occupy the pulpit at the Lutheran church next Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m. She has a keen, logical mind, and presents her ideas in a clear, earnest manner that carries conviction to her hearers.

—The fine for spitting on the floor of any public building or public conveyance in Rockford, is five dollars. Every city in the state should pass and rigidly enforce a similar ordinance, and we think if we had ladies in the city council, sidewalks would be included.

BOGUS MONEY MAKERS.

Their Industry Becoming Yearly More Precarious.

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Counterfeiters Confine Their Operations to Notes of Small Denomination—Very Little Bad Coin—Gorman and Bryan.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—[Special.]—John E. Wilkie, chief of the secret service division of the treasury department, says that the circulation of counterfeit money is being made more difficult every year, but notwithstanding the efforts of the trained detectives and the punishment which is inflicted upon those who manufacture and circulate bogus money it still continues to a greater or less extent. The counterfeiters do not operate so much with the big bills now on account of the difficulty in passing them. They made quite a success about a year ago with \$100 silver certificates, but when it was known that counterfeiters were out the government immediately called in the issue of that particular series. Out of the \$22,000,000 which has been called in and canceled 41 \$100 counterfeit bills have been found. It is supposed that a number of these may yet be in circulation in some of the country districts or in some of the smaller banks. The \$2 silver certificate is the favorite of the counterfeiters, and more bogus money has been put out of that denomination than of any other. The fact that the bill has much more on its face than others and that it is more profitable to circulate makes it an advantage in the eyes of counterfeiters over the \$1 bills and over the next higher denomination of \$5. Chief Wilkie calls attention to erroneous impressions that prevail throughout the country that the manufacture of paper with a fiber is a secret. Nearly all the counterfeit bills that are put in circulation contain this fiber. There are two ways of putting it in—one by pasting two very thin sheets of paper together with the fiber between and another by "boomeranging" it in with a curved needle. The government makes it a crime to manufacture or have in possession the fiber paper. That is all the secret there is about it.

Counterfeit Coins.

No successful method of handling counterfeit silver has yet been devised, and consequently there is very little of it. It has been said that owing to the fact that the bullion price of silver is so low it is an easy matter to coin silver dollars and circulate them in such a way as not to be detected. This is not true, as silver cannot be molded, and the coin must be struck with a die, which makes it very expensive, because the die in the first place must be engraved, and it then takes a large plant to operate it. Such an establishment could hardly escape detection. Most of the counterfeit coin has been made of a base metal which can be melted and molded and is generally quite easily detected. Of the \$20,000 in coin captured last year only about \$150 was in genuine silver. The Italians from Sicily are those who most generally engage in counterfeiting, and wherever there is a colony of them the secret service men generally keep a pretty close watch. The manufacture of counterfeit pennies is usually carried on by Greeks. Last year 69,000 counterfeit pennies were collected in New York.

Military Parks.

Pressure for the establishment of military parks where memorable battles were fought during the civil war has been brought to bear by representatives from many districts in the south, but only one bill can get through the house, as Speaker Reed announced that he would grant recognition for but one bill, that at Vicksburg, Miss. Virginia, the battleground of the war, has not been recognized in the matter, and the claims of so many different communities, all entitled to consideration, have made it impossible to make a selection for that state. Bills are now pending for military parks at three different places in Virginia—Petersburg, Fredericksburg and Appomattox. The claim of the latter place is that it was the scene of the close of the war. Fredericksburg claims a park because two battles, one of great moment, were fought at that city, while Petersburg wants a park made of "the Crater," where the underground mines made such havoc. More than this, it is claimed that Petersburg was really the last great stand of the south, and its resistance to the army of General Grant made it possible for the Confederacy to survive as long as it did. Some objection has been made to Appomattox being made a national military park, because it is not a battlefield, like those of Chickamauga, Gettysburg and other places where the genius of commanders and the valor of the troops on both sides redounded to the honor and glory of American manhood. It is claimed that the whole scheme of military parks is based upon this idea, and for that reason only great battlefields should be converted into parks.

Gorman and Bryan.

A contest over the peace treaty was fought within the Democratic party which may have far-reaching consequences. It was believed that Senator Gorman and William J. Bryan were leaders in the struggle for supremacy. Mr. Gorman made the contest for the defeat of the treaty one of the hardest of his senatorial career. When he fought the elections bill ten years ago, he had behind him a well organized and solid party. When he began his fight against the treaty, there were several Democrats counted with the majority. There is no doubt that Senator Gorman had pledged from the others to vote against the treaty, and when he placed the figures of his side at 36 he had assurances to make them good. But from that time on a tremendous pressure was brought to bear upon a number of Democratic senators, with the result that they left Mr. Gorman and supported the policy outlined by Mr. Bryan. Senator Gorman has been complimented for the manner in which he held his party together in the face of the pressure that was brought to bear, and some senators believe that if his senatorial career was not to end with the close of this congress he would have been still more powerful and his influence been such as to defeat the treaty. This failure, however, it is believed here, will make Mr. Bryan's position as leader of the party almost secure.

Has Injured the Army.

The hostilities which have been engendered by several controversies have injured the army, and if the reorganization bill is defeated the troubles arising out of the conduct of the war and the bickerings of army officers will in a measure be responsible, as the ill feeling has extended to congress.

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HAS A DOCTOR'S DEGREE AND IS ALSO AN ELECTRICIAN.

French Titles and American Girls. Ambitious Young Singers—Testimony From Colorado—A Wedding Idea—Top Floor Kitchens.

Mrs. Alice Mendell Woolger came from Vermont when a child and spent much of her life in Michigan, near Detroit. She was educated under the supervision of her father, who was a graduate of Harvard and a Universalist minister as well as a physician.

After she was married Mrs. Woolger and her husband went west, where they took an active interest in the social and religious questions of the day. She relates some amusing experiences in circulating petitions for a prohibitory



MRS. ALICE MENDELL WOOLGER.

amendment which lived to be a part of the constitution of the state of Kansas and as well enforced as any other law of the commonwealth.

That the city might be a cleaner place for her children to dwell in she went with her husband to the polls and helped to vote good men into office.

While in Topeka Mrs. Woolger was conference secretary, having charge of all the missionary societies in the Kansas conference, and was elected branch organizer when the branch included all the territory westward to the Pacific.

Mrs. Woolger was elected organizer for the State Kindergarten association of Kansas and chairman of the legislative committee, in which capacity she several times presented the cause to the legislature through the state board of education.

During a residence in Chicago Mrs. Woolger studied theoretical electricity, attending the lectures of Professor Thwing of the Northwestern university. Mrs. Woolger is a graduate of a college of suggestive therapeutics and medical electricity and has taken a degree as doctor of suggestive therapeutics. She has lived in St. Louis two years.—St. Louis Star.

French Titles and American Girls.

The Revue des Revues has been lately occupied in showing that the titles promulgated by the members of the Jockey club of the Pommes de Terre of the Union and of the Rue Royale are not worth the cards on which they are printed; that in France today there does not exist a single solitary prince, duke or marquis possessed of an authentic title. The allegation is interesting, particularly so in view of the fact that if untrue the collectable damages would be heavy. The Faubourg St. Germain, the mythical home of this mythical aristocracy, has not, however, demeaned itself with anything so unbecomingly as civil proceedings. But Le Gaulois, its accredited organ, has replied that the allegation is unpatriotic, and that for the delightful reason that it is calculated to throw a scare into the hearts of American girls, who, being heavy consumers, have largely increased the national wealth. The argument has not appealed to M. Francisque Sarcey. "Should it occur," he says; "should the hour come when our springs of nobility are no longer bought by exotic quails, I for one would not weep for grief." M. Sarcey adds: "The idle descendant of a crusader is a sucking pig. The female Yankee is a peacock. What good can such a couple work? There may have been unions between them that have not turned out badly, yet in that case the parties have been more lucky than wise." M. Sarcey concludes: "I know of nothing less estimable than these bargains, which are less contracts of marriage than bills of sale."

M. Sarcey is quite right. We cannot, of course, permit him to call our heiresses names. Besides, admitting them to be quails, they can't be peacocks also. That is impossible. Ornithology is unacquainted with any such fowl. But the point is elsewhere. There are not enough of these girls here to go round. The horse show was crowded with estimable young men who dressed in vain for a smile from one. To them, as to M. Sarcey, the heiress is a rara avis. Should the scare which Le Gaulois predicts occur, and should the breed cease to be used for export purposes, we may be quite sure that these young men won't weep for grief, either. M. Sarcey is, therefore, quite right when he does not happen to be quite wrong. In which, of course, he resembles everybody else, and that happens to be M. Sarcey's admitted charm.—Collier's Weekly.

Ambitious Young Singers.

People who have reached the heights in any profession are apt to be called upon frequently for advice and assistance, and perhaps great singers more than other people. It is astonishing how many people believe that they can sing. But it was a young woman who had sung who called upon Mme. Nordica the other day for assistance. The first thing to know was, of course, what the young singer had done. "Oh, I have sung all the chief soprano roles in grand opera," said the young woman, in answer to a question. That was doing well, and it did not seem as if there

would be so much difficulty in assisting that young woman.

"Which of them do you sing in German?" asked Nordica.

"Oh, I don't sing anything in German," said the would-be Metropolitan Opera prima donna.

"Well, what do you sing in Italian?" continued Nordica.

"I don't sing at all in Italian."

"Well," said Mme. Nordica, somewhat nonplused, "you know that grand opera is not sung in English. What do you sing in French?"

"I don't know any of the languages. I don't sing in French at all."

"What were you thinking of doing?" asked the prima donna, somewhat at a loss as to how this young woman could be helped.

"Well," answered the young woman, "I rather thought I would go to England."

"To England!" exclaimed Mme. Nordica, aghast. "But, my dear, there is no grand opera in England. Grand opera is in America. Now, suppose you learn the role of Stephano in 'Romeo et Juliette' in French, and perhaps I could get you a hearing."

"Oh, dear, no!" said the young woman. "I shouldn't be willing to sing anything but the principal roles." So she departed, and now she has gone to England, where grand opera is not, to get grand opera roles suited to her talents.—New York Times.

Testimony From Colorado.

Mrs. Katherine A. G. Patterson of Denver, wife of the editor and proprietor of The Rocky Mountain News, in response to an inquiry recently addressed to her by the Pittsburg Post, replied in part as follows:

As to the conditions of the participation of women in Colorado campaigns, it is to be recorded that they are subject during its course to no rude associations. In the stress of partisan struggles that necessarily precede an election women of public spirit and good position are chosen to direct the political meetings of women, and it is the rule that from the precinct parlor meetings, preliminary to primaries, to the parlor headquarters kept open exclusively for women citizens their meetings closely resemble their accustomed club assemblies. There are, besides, women's purely political clubs of every party, whose seasons of activity coincide with campaign seasons. During these times also many a friendly tete-a-tete upon the situation or brief persuasive plea for candidate or measure is heard in some quiet corner of hall or library where people meet in amiable mood at social receptions. In the great political mass meetings the proportion of women in attendance is no greater than in the campaigns before their opinions began to be counted at the ballot box.

If in all this Colorado women, although graciously allowed to agree with masculine managers, have yet little choice in the construction of the tickets placed before them or in the direction of campaign matters, they are content, through the still, small voice of the ballot, to do their part with what patience they may toward the coming of better times, when, even after their own day, perhaps only after generations of use, woman's prentice hand shall have come to be often the guiding hand and the beneficent wisdom of the "eternal womanly" shall have been found as indispensable in the state as in the home.

A Wedding Idea.

The region vaguely known to the average New Yorker as "up the state" is unlike heaven in one or two respects. One point of difference is that up the state there is still marrying and giving in marriage. Of course some commentators explain the matrimonial stagnation in heaven on the theory that only married people are considered to have earned the joys of paradise. But that's neither here nor there. The point is that they keep right on getting married in New York state, and not always in the good old way. Once in awhile they think out a new wrinkle. That is what a certain young couple did a few weeks ago.

There was a church wedding, and when the procession moved up the aisle the people almost forgot to look at the bride because they were so curious to find out what under the shining kerosene lamp chandelier the bridesmaid was carrying. She held it out in front of her, supporting it with both hands, and bearing it with as much care as if it had been the future happiness of the young couple or something as fragile.

As she glided slowly by the eager spectators near the aisle saw that she carried a small pillow, incased in white satin and ornamented with baby ribbon bows. But it was not until later that they found out what reposed upon that pillow. When the minister got to the point where the bridegroom or the best man generally begins to fumble nervously in his various pockets in an oftentimes fruitless search for the ring, the pillow mystery was solved. Turning triumphantly to the bridesmaid, the bridegroom drew a handsome stickpin—so described in the local account—from the pillow, thus releasing the wedding ring, which had been fastened thereon. Such was one of the little originalities from up the state.—New York Sun.

Top Floor Kitchens.

One of the most original devices to be found in Boston or elsewhere is a now almost universal one among people of wealth—that of building the kitchens of beautiful houses on the top floor. It takes money to do it, of course, but there is plenty of that sort in cities when they care to spend it.

The kitchen of a four story house instead of being located in the basement or under the ground as it would be in New York, is constructed on the top floor. The kitchen ranges are lifted to the top story and the faucets and other kitchen furniture are located in this great, upper, airy quarter.

The laundry is also built up there, and if the kitchen is in the back the laundry is located in the front. The

cook, who is generally relegated to the dark regions below, has a beautiful light room in which to perform the marvels by which she turns white powder into bread and raw meat into croquettes.

When the feast is completed, it is placed upon a dumb waiter, where the dining room maid takes it off and spreads it upon a table.

In this way Boston drawing rooms are kept free from the odor of cooking and a Boston caller is spared the embarrassment of scenting the dinner which is to be eaten that night. It is quite delightful to make a call in Boston without being compelled to know whether your hostess intends having corned beef and cabbage or a simple roast for dinner, and all this is accomplished by the delightful method of building the kitchen on the top floor.

Philadelphia has tried it in her fine Y. W. C. A. buildings on Arch street. They have found the top floor kitchens a marvelous success!—Philadelphia Press.

National American Convention.

"The thirty-first annual convention of the N. A. W. S. A. will be held at Grand Rapids April 27 to May 4 inclusive, 1899.

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Susan B. Anthony, president; Anna H. Shaw, vice president; Rachel Foster Avery, corresponding secretary; Alice Stone Blackwell, recording secretary; Harriet Taylor Upton, treasurer, and Carrie Chapman Catt, chairman of organizing committee, are the signers.

To the Wise—Namely, Clubwomen.

The besetting sin of the clubwoman, somebody observes pointedly, is her almost insane inclination to speechify, and, what is more, it is true. Without disparaging the feminine lecturers who are shining lights in clubdom, there has arisen an overambitious type of clubwoman, it seems, who collects some clever sayings, which may or may not be her own special brand, on a question of the hour, and presto, she emerges from her little brown study a full fledged professional speaker. As the Hoosier poet would put it, she has "a natural turn fer talkin fit to kill" and does not appreciate that sometimes "the best and hardest thing to learn is the trick o' keepin still." No broader or better hint can be given incapable platform paraders than that given by the Quaker. "My son," admonished the paternal one, "if thee has nothing to say it is wise to say nothing."—Bertha Damaris Knobe in Woman's Home Companion.

A Prima Donna's Ordeal.

Lilli Lehmann, the song bird, follows the strictest kind of regimen. For the last eight years she has been a vegetarian. She never takes stimulants of any kind. Water is her only beverage. Her bed hour when she doesn't sing is 8 o'clock. She gives a stated number of hours on her idle days to gymnastic exercises. In summer she indulges in a great deal of swimming. The result is that at 50, with her hair snow white, her figure is shapely and erect and her voice is strong and fresh. Girls who believe that they have a voice will probably hesitate a bit before they face the ordeal that has to be faced by most of the prima donnas of the old schools.

An Innovation in India.

Mrs. Solomon Gossoon, the managing partner of a well known Jewish firm in Bombay and president of several companies in which the firm takes an interest, has been proposed for a place in the governor general's council—an astonishing innovation for India. The proposal comes from a leading Indian paper. It is due to her remarkable business ability and the fact that she has made great efforts to draw together the women of Bombay.—Woman's Journal.

Miss Frances Molina, who has taken much interest in educational matters in the past, sailed for Havana to open "the American school" there. The school will be American in its methods, in its curriculum, in its textbooks and even in the use of the language spoken. Miss Molina belongs to a very old Cuban family, but she has received a fine English education.

Under an old law of Maryland, seldom if ever used, a man named Tucker, who killed another named Johnson, "in a fight," is to pay the widow \$3,000 and her children \$2,000. A jury so decided at Baltimore after a week's trial.

"Not a song bird hat in stock" is posted on frequent bulletins through the millinery department of Marshall Field's great Chicago store. This is a public acknowledgment of the victory of the Audubon crusade.

Miss Elizabeth Geddes, the nurse who received the Royal Red Cross for her services at Omdurman, is a member of the National Society For Aid to Sick and Wounded in War.

The empress dowager of China received a deputation of foreign women recently—a marked departure from ancient custom.

FOR LITTLE FOLKS.

A BRAVE KITTEN.

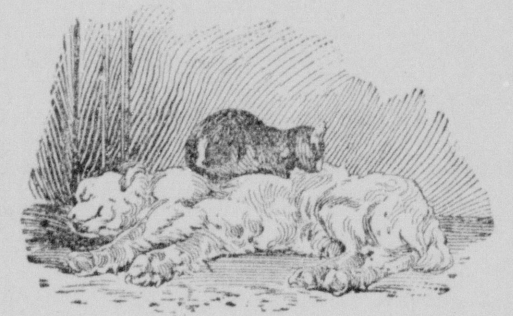
She Defends Her New Friend From the Attack of Mistaken Fido.

The Smith family had never before owned a kitten. Dogs they were seldom without, but out of consideration for Mrs. Smith, who said she could not bear a cat, they had hitherto been content to worry along with only one pet.

It was only when the mice began to devour the Smiths and their possessions that Mrs. Smith was induced to waive her prejudice. Mr. Smith the next evening brought home a little black kitten in his overcoat pocket.

Now, as the Smith family already included a half grown setter dog, a good deal of uneasiness was felt as to the degree of harmony likely to exist between the dog and the kitten.

The new kitten settled the question once for all by insisting on being friendly with the dog. His beautiful long ears and his plumelike tail were never failing sources of amusement to Kitty, and the dog, like all young animals, anxious for a romp, forgot to bark in his anxiety to play. The two would romp for hours upon the hearth rug,



KITTY AND FIDO.

and when tired out by the game Kitty would curl up on the warm fur of the dog, and both would go off to sleep. It was a funny sight to see the tiny kitten and the great clumsy dog curled up thus together.

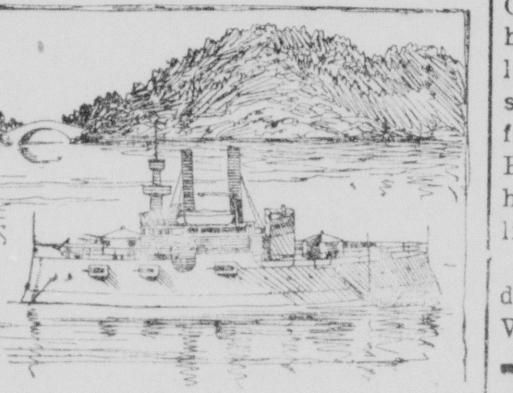
Kitty was the only cat permitted to promenade in the Smiths' garden. After awhile, when she grew bolder and learned to climb about everywhere, the kitten penetrated to other gardens and made the acquaintance of other kittens. With a kitten two houses beyond the Smiths' she formed quite a warm friendship. One day the little gray stranger wandered down to Kitty Smith's garden and after looking about jumped down beside a bed of geraniums. Fido had been watching and pounced upon her in a minute. It would not be pleasant to think of what might have become of tabby had not the Smith kitten darted out of the bushes and, like a streak of black lightning, descended upon the dog. Astounded at the wrath of his little playmate, Fido dropped the gray kitten, which made good its escape. Gazing reproachfully into the angry eyes of his little black friend, the dog slunk away with his tail between his legs, while Kitty sat down and calmly smoothed out her ruffled fur.—Doris Henderson.

A Heroic Lad of Long Ago.

In "The Field of the Cloth of Gold," in St. Nicholas, Roberta B. Nelson says that it was not King Henry VIII or Philip I of France but the peasant lad Victor Bacheaux that was the hero of the day. When 200 young Frenchmen were appointed to storm a hill held by the English archers, their flag was given to him to bear against the foe. And gallantly he bore it, in the face of cannon balls and flying arrows, though his companions turned tail and fled down the hill, believing, as he did, that it was a real and not a sham battle that they were engaged in. But the English gunners and archers had been instructed to aim above the heads of their assailants, and the gallant boy was welcomed with cheers when he reached the summit of the hill.

A Battleship Builder.

Bruce Hosmer, the 13-year old son of Assistant District Attorney J. A. Hosmer, has distinguished himself by making models of the most noted vessels of Uncle Sam's new navy. Master Hosmer's latest and most notable production is an artistic duplication of the battleship Iowa, which is wrought of laths, putty and tin. The model is 40 inches long, and is perfectly proportioned according to the lines accepted by the United States naval department, but the guns are Quakers, and there is no life in the machinery. The lath Iowa made a brave show when launched on Stow lake at Golden Gate park, and young Hosmer established his versatility by taking a snap shot photograph of the little craft, which is used for the illustration of this article. The battleship builder also made a miniature copy of the Oregon, and will add to his fleet until he is able to rival the government in the number of his vessels.—San Francisco Examiner.



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Scavenger Ants.

It is known that the body of any small animal or bird, if left near an ant hill, will be quickly picked clean of flesh. It has lately been demonstrated that ants can thus be made useful in the preparation of skeletons as scientific specimens. Professor Bernard has been employing the insects as his servants. While in Florida he had a fox squirrel thus skeletonized in a single day, and the work was performed more satisfactorily than it could have been done by chemical agencies or human hands.

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The Kingmaker.

The Earl of Warwick, commonly called the "kingmaker," from the faculty with which he created and deposed monarchs during the contest between the house of York and Lancaster, lived in style of magnificence and hospitality of which no period perhaps furnishes an example. No less than 30,000 persons are said to have lived at his board in the different manors and castles which he possessed, and the military, allured by his hospitality as well as his bravery, were strongly attached to his interests. This distinguished warrior fell at the battle of Barnet in 1471, when, owing to the mistake of one part of his army falling upon the other during a fog, he was defeated by Edward IV.

In former battles Warwick had always fought on horseback, that he might at once ride along the line and perceive the particulars of the action, but on this occasion he determined to fight on foot, that his soldiers might see that he was resolved to share with them the dangers of the day. After having exerted himself as an officer and a hero in fruitless attempts to turn the tide of fortune in his favor he rushed into the hottest part of the battle and fell covered with wounds. His brother, Montacute, in endeavoring to save him met with a similar fate.—*Nuggets.*

Gold in Pyrites.

Experts in gold mining agree that pretty much the bottom fact now known about such metal is briefly that all original pyrites of small grain texture contain gold to a greater or less extent, this, of course, not covering such secondary large crystal pyritous deposits derived from veins. It is not yet known, however, whether the gold in these pyrites is in chemical combination with the sulphide of gold, or whether each minute particle of gold is simply covered with a coating of sulphide of iron, or finally whether such particles are in the metallic state, but alloyed with silver or other metal which combines more rapidly with sulphur than the gold does, and consequently forms a coat of sulphide of silver over the gold. The particles of gold are so minute and the combinations follow so rapidly during the splitting up of these pyrites that the finest instruments and tests known to chemistry have as yet been unable to settle this part of the question to the satisfaction of all concerned, this fact showing how easy it is to put in a mill that will not save the values.

Stupidity Rewarded.

This story is told of Sir Walter Scott, who was far from being a brilliant pupil at school: After he became famous he one day dropped into the old school to pay a visit to the scene of his former woes. The teacher was anxious to make a good impression on the writer and put the pupils through their lessons so as to show them to the best advantage. After awhile Scott said: "But which is the dunce? You have one surely. Show him to me."

The teacher called up a poor fellow who looked the picture of woe as he bashfully came toward the distinguished visitor.

"Are you the dunce?" asked Scott.

"Yes, sir," said the boy.

"Well, my good fellow," said Scott, "here is a crown for you for keeping my place warm."

A Prime Political Reason.

It was in the Newington ward, where the candidate on the Liberal side was Mr. Ritchie, a well known confectioner and restaurateur, whose pies and rock were equally famous in Auld Reekie. After the poll the following conversation was heard between two workingmen who had just emerged from the voting station: "Weel, Tam, did ye vote for Ritchie?" "No," said the other, "I didna." "And what for no?" asked his astonished friend. "You're a Leebler, are na' ye, and Ritchie's the Leebler candidate?" "I ken that fine," retorted his companion imperturbably, "but I never could bear Ritchie's pies!"—*New Century.*

In Germany "von" implies nobility, and all persons who belong to the nobility prefix "von" to their family names without any exception.

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Two Rich Singers.

Adelina Patti and Sibel Sanderson are the two richest prima donnas of the time. Mme. Patti's fortune came from a long and active career, which has scarcely yet terminated, as her concert appearances from time to time in London are highly successful. An attempt was made not long ago to persuade her to come next year to this country, but she was unwilling to take the journey. Miss Sanderson will inherit her money through the death of her husband, Antonio Terry. By the terms of his separation from his first wife, Mr. Terry's daughter is to live with her grandmother, although the father and mother were both to see her at certain times. She is the only person to share with the second Mrs. Terry the large estate he left. The first Mrs. Terry was a woman of wealth, and left a fortune to her daughter. Miss Sanderson has almost recovered from the stroke of paralysis from which she suffered soon after her marriage. She is said to be quite as beautiful as ever, and there are no traces of her illness to be observed beyond a slight difficulty in walking. It is thought this will soon disappear. Mme. Patti has recently confessed to 56 years, and is at least that old. Miss Sanderson is still quite young. She has been before the public for some time, although she is only now in the early thirties. Probably Miss Sanderson will be found to be the richer of the two when her husband's estate is settled. Her retirement from the stage at the time of her marriage was evidently permanent. She has sung once or twice at private concerts, but has kept to her intention never to appear again professionally.—*New York Sun.*

Care of the Shoes.

Now, in "the winter of our discontent" we find nothing more annoying than the way in which our shoes refuse to be kept nice and in good order. It is not a difficult task if one gives them just a little daily care. When you remove heavy street boots, don't toss them away in the closet all crumpled. Take time to stretch the uppers a trifle to straighten out the lacing wrinkles. Do the same with the tongue. Brush off the dust, and if they are damp put them where a current of air can thoroughly dry them. Banana skins make an excellent dressing and keep the leather soft. They are especially nice for cleaning enameled or patent leather.

If your feet perspire freely, use a good antiseptic powder freely dusted in the shoes. It will rest the feet and save the stockings. The grime and dust in the shoe are very hard on the hands, as the dirt is ground into the flesh where the strings are drawn up tightly. Don't be stingy with shoe strings. Your dealer will furnish them free of charge; so change them often. Besides being clean, they add greatly to the appearance of the shoe. Watch your heels and have them repaired at the first indication of wearing off at one side. Nothing so disfigures your gait or looks more untidy than run down heels; besides, the shoe soon loses its shape where the heel turns, and will break where the unwonted strain is occasioned by the twisted shoe.

The Army Button.

The girls have worn the army button in every conceivable place and manner. They have been made into jewelry of all kinds, hatpins, stickpins, brooches, belts, belt buckles, shirt waist sets and even used on the tailor made gowns to fasten the whole front of the tight fitting waists. It remained a question what to do with them next.

This question has been settled. The buttons are now transformed into garter clasps or buckles. This was probably the last resort of a girl who had already covered herself from head to foot with these emblems and souvenirs of her hero friends and had a couple left with which she did not know what to do.

It is a bright idea, after all, as they make very handsome clasps, and when fastened to the red, white and blue garter ribbons, which have only five elastic cords at intervals throughout their entire length, leaving a wide ruffled margin, they do not seem entirely inappropriate. They certainly intensify the impression of patriotism in the wearer.—*Philadelphia Inquirer.*

Hats and Hair Ornaments.

"Oh, no, we don't wear hats or bonnets at the opera or theater any more!" say the women, and they don't except in exceptional and very inconsiderate cases. But they wear ornaments in their hair which keep those behind them on the dodge. The higher the better seems to be the rule for dressing the hair just now. Some of the ornaments, made of up-standing, outspreading crinkled velvet or ribbon, are likely to make a man feel that he has "had one too many" when a woman wearing one begins to crane her neck to see what the other women in the audience have on. Other designs have the appearance of a barb wire fence, and one erected by the Spaniards at that. It is hard to say whether this style of ornament or one topped by a fluffy marabou feather can cause the people, 16 deep, behind it to do the most gyrating in their efforts to catch a glimpse of more than three square feet of the stage at one time.—*New York Sun.*

The Ownership of Wedding Presents.

Judge Long has made a most interesting decision in the probate court. The judge holds that when wedding presents are sent to the bride before marriage, as is the custom, the presents are her property, and remain so if a separation takes place after marriage. This decision was handed down after a hearing on the petition of Timothy F. Sullivan of this city for a revision of the decree ordering him to furnish separate support for his wife, Josephine F. Sullivan, of this city. The petition asks that until his wife shall return certain household goods to the value of \$200 he need not furnish her with separate support.—*Springfield Republican.*

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THE WEATHER.

The following is the weather forecast telegraphed us at 9:45 o'clock a. m. today from the government observatory at Chicago:
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—Edward Cook of Genoa, Ill., is here on business.

—J. B. J. De Four of Freeport is at Hotel Bishop.

—Harry Strong is papering the C. A. Todd store.

—Miss Josie Howell has recovered from an illness.

—Miss Goldie Boyer is recovering from an illness.

—Good Templars' reading circle at Senneff's tonight.

—T. F. Leary of Rock Island is at the Nachusa House.

—Nachusa Encampment, No. 115, I. O. O. F., meets tonight.

—Henry and Christopher Gross of Bradford were here today.

—Nate P. Cleary is at work again after an illness with lagrippe.

—Margaret, daughter of Napoleon Berard, is very ill with the measles.

—Richard Mulkins is down from Oregon driving too fine a horse to trade.

—Mr. and Mrs. Will Weaver of Polo are here visiting friends and relatives.

—Measles have taken the place of the grip as an epidemic in the West End.

—The son of Loss Buzzard of South Dixon is in a dangerous condition from rheumatism.

—Mrs. M. Cahill has removed her tailor stock from No. 10 First street to 162 Peoria avenue.

—Telephone No. 303 on the county line has been placed in the H. U. Bardwell residence.

—The meeting of the officers of the W. K. C. for next Saturday afternoon is definitely postponed.

—Dr. Frank J. MacNett, an eye and ear specialist, has located in Dixon, occupying rooms in the C. J. Rosbrook building.

—Prof. Clarence Krinbill returned from Chicago this morning where he last evening heard the grand opera of "Carmen."

—Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Cox of Oregon, who have been visiting at the Jerome McKenney residence, returned home today.

—Sheriff M. J. McGowan went to Elgin this morning with Miss Rachel Slothower of Galena avenue, who was declared insane yesterday.

—The courts have closed up a bogus medical college in Chicago that gave diplomas to students on short tuitions. The case was decided yesterday in Chicago.

—The Ladies' Aid Society of the Baptist church will meet with Mrs. Thos. Ayres, North Ottawa avenue, tomorrow (Friday) afternoon at half-past two o'clock.

—Hugh Kelley has fallen heir to an estate in Ireland, but he can not be found. The Chicago police started out yesterday to find Mr. Kelley, who was traced to that city.

—Homer L. Wright, organist of the Methodist church and teacher of piano at Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin, is in the city for a course of instruction with Prof. Clarence Krinbill.

—A young son of E. H. Fischer of South Dixon, and grandson of Alderman Fischer, was kicked by a horse and a deep gash made in his head. Dr. Murphy sewed up the wound.

—Ed. Benjamin is visiting his farm in South Dixon today to see how the spring buds are coming on. He was accompanied by Harry Crabtree who is just home from a Chicago trip.

—The Candlelighters' Missionary Society will hold their monthly industrial meeting tomorrow at 2:30 p. m. in the parlors of the Presbyterian church. Refreshment will be served at 4:30.

—A friend of the News writes from Webster City, Ia., that he is going to the Klondike, and expects to come out a king. The News will bet he'll feel more like a nine-spot.—Geeseo News. The duce.

—Patrons of the public schools are greatly pleased with the books that the children get from the school library, one a week, and take home to read. It is a delightful way of learning history.

—Rev. W. A. Spencer of Freeport will again occupy the pulpit of the Dixon Baptist church next Sunday, and the Daily Democrat of his city says that the impression prevails that the gentleman will accept the call extended to him by this congregation.

—The Mothers meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held at the home of Miss Bessie Baker, 210 South Crawford avenue on Friday, Feb. 17 at 2:30 p. m. Paper "These are our Jewels" by Mrs. Della Roland. All ladies are cordially invited.

—Herbert Merrill of Grand Detour, before Justice H. R. Bartlett, was placed under bonds to keep the peace. Lorin March charged Merrill with threatening to do him bodily harm.

—Ex-Town Clerk Mark D. Smith of North Dixon has received word that the home of his father, O. P. Smith, in Michigan, was recently destroyed by fire. O. P. Smith was formerly a resident of Palmyra.

—If Senator Baxter's bill becomes a law, bridges over rivers that divide two counties, where the bridge costs to exceed \$5,000, the expense of maintaining repairs and supervision must be borne by both counties, and will be a good thing for Grand Detour. We hope that it will pass.

—The Rockford Register-Gazette says: "The Freeport Woman's club, under the leadership of Mrs. Charles D. Knowlton, keeps up the work of its different departments with well sustained interest. They have engaged Lorado Taft for a course of art lectures, free to members and open to the public at a moderate cost."

—Friday and Saturday, beginning at 9 a. m., there will be on exhibition in the college library, art work done by the pupils in the Chicago Art Institute and the Prang school; which productions are considered by artists as of a very high grade. The exhibits will be in charge of Miss Anna Carpenter, art instructor, and will be free to all.

—The apple is such a common fruit that few persons are familiar with its remarkable efficacious medicinal properties. Everybody ought to know that the very best thing he can do is to eat apples just before going to bed.

The apple is excellent brain food, because it has more phosphoric acid, in an easily digestible shape, than any other fruit known. It excites the action of the liver, promotes sound and healthy sleep and thoroughly disinfects the mouth. It also agglutinates the surplus acid of the stomach, helps the kidney secretion and prevents calculus growth, while it obviates indigestion and is one of the best preventatives of disease of the throat. Next to lemon and orange, it is also the best antidote for the thirst and craving of persons addicted to the alcohol and opium habit.—Ex.

Law Students Rejoice.

The bill modifying the new three year course of study law for law students passed today at Springfield, 139 to 1. This admits students to practice with two years study who are now under instruction and effects every law student in the state. The law class at the N. I. N. S. is celebrating this evening.

A Haunted House.

"The haunted house in this case," said the old college man, "was occupied by a very estimable and intelligent gentleman. He did not believe in ghosts, but two nights had made him look old and careworn, and there were certainly loud, strange and startling noises in his attic. They would continue right up to the time that some one entered the haunted room, but the opening of the door was the signal for a most oppressive silence.

"Half a dozen of us college fellows asked permission to investigate, and it was gladly granted. We waited till we heard the noise, and I assure you that there was plenty of it. It continued until we had crept up stairs, but ceased when we entered the attic. We waited there without result till big Hicks of the football team, carried out a plan. We closed the slide to the dark lantern, slammed the door noisily, as though leaving, and then settled down to wait. Presently the noise began. We flashed the light in its direction, and there was a jug rolling back and forth rapidly, the handle striking the floor with a loud thud.

"Must be spirits in that jug, laughed big Hicks, but his laugh was a tremolo. 'We'll see,' and he let go with one of his famous kicks that shattered the uncanny vessel. Then every fellow let out a yell and jumped as though trying to knock a hole in the roof. A rat had crawled into the jug and had been frantically trying to get out."—Detroit Free Press

The Platform Woman.

"The platform woman never has been a credit to, but ever a blot upon, American womanhood. I make this emphatic statement from a personal knowledge of the homes which these women leave behind when they go to their meetings," writes Edward Bok in The Ladies' Home Journal.

"I have seen the rooms of their homes left in wild disorder; I have seen their servants sitting in idleness with work on every hand to do; I have seen the children neglected and left to their own devices; I have heard husbands speak in derision of the motives of their wives. No woman in a happy American home can ever afford to listen to these parasites of her sex.

"Fortunately, the platform woman's influence is steadily on the wane. She was never a power. She was never even picturesque. Her worst injury was wrought upon certain weak women who for the time she deluded. But even with them she was soon regarded with wonder rather than with interest, with suspicion rather than with confidence. The disappearance of the platform woman is a case of a blot being blotted out."

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